Windbreak Interpretations

Farmstead windbreaks protect livestock, buildings, and yards from wind and snow. They also protect fruit trees and gardens, and they furnish habitat for wildlife. Several rows of low-growing and high-growing broadleaf and coniferous trees and shrubs provide the most protection.

Field windbreaks are narrow plantings made at right angles to the prevailing wind and at specific intervals across the field. The interval depends on the erodibility of the soil. Field windbreaks protect cropland and crops from wind, help to keep snow on the fields, increase crop yields, and provide food and cover for wildlife.

Each tree or shrub species has certain climatic and physiographic limits. Within these parameters a tree or shrub may be well or poorly suited because of soil characteristics. Each tree or shrub also has definable potentials of height growth based on the soil type and climate.

Information in this subsection, which includes windbreak suitability groups and a windbreak and environmental plantings table, can be used as a guide in planning windbreaks and screens.

This subsection includes:

• (a) Trees and Shrubs for Windbreak and Environmental Plantings

Map symbol	Trees having predicted 20-year average height, in feet, of					
and soil name	<8	8-15	16-25 	26-35	>35	
Ag: Alligator	 	 	 	 	 	
Ak: Alligator						
Steele	 American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood 	eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum	eastern white pine; pin oak	
Ba: Baldwin						
BeA: Beulah						
BeB: Beulah						
Bk: Bosket						
BrB: Broseley	 American plum; fragrant sumac	gray dogwood	Amur maple; eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	baldcypress; common hackberry; green ash; northern red oak	 eastern white pine 	
Ca: Cairo	 buttonbush 	 possumhaw 	eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry	 baldcypress; common hackberry; pin oak	 eastern cottonwood 	
Ch: Calhoun						
Cn: Canalou	 American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood	eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum	eastern white pine; pin oak	
Co: Collins						

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Ct: Cooter	American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood	eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum	eastern white pine;
Cw: Crowley			 	 	
Db: Dubbs			 	 	
De: Dubbs			 	 	
Silverdale	 American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood 	eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum	eastern white pine;
Dn: Dundee	 	 	 	 	
Ds: Dundee			 	 	
Silverdale	 American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood 	eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum 	eastern white pine; pin oak
Fa: Falaya		 	 	 	
Fg: Farrenburg	 American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood 	 eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum	eastern white pine; pin oak
Fo: Foley				 	
Ft: Fountain	 	 	 	 	
Gd: Gideon	 American plum; buttonbush	 possumhaw; pussy willow 	 eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar	 black willow; common hackberry; honeylocust	

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Jp:						
Jackport	 	 	 	 	 	
Lf: Lafe	 	 	 	 	 	
Ln: Lilbourn	American plum; fragrant sumac	 blackhaw; gray dogwood 	eastern redcedar; nannyberry; Washington hawthorn	 baldcypress; green ash; sweetgum 	eastern white pine;	
LoB: Loring	 		 	 	 	
LoC: Loring	 	 	 	 	 	
LoD2:	 	 	 	 	 	
M-W: Water	 	 	 	 		
Ma: Malden	American plum; common lilac; fragrant sumac; gray dogwood	autumn olive; Washington hawthorn	 blackjack oak; diospyros; eastern redcedar; jack pine	eastern cottonwood		
MeC: Memphis	 	 	 	 	 	
MeD: Memphis	 		 			
MeE2: Memphis	 		 	 		
Or:	 	 	 	 	 	
Water						
Os:	 	 	 	 		

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American plum; fragrant sumac	blackhaw; gray dogwood	nannyberry;	ash; sweetgum	eastern white pine; pin oak
buttonbush	possumhaw	 eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry	baldcypress; common hackberry; pin oak	eastern cottonwood
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	American plum; fragrant sumac	<pre> </pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> <pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> <pre> <pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> <pre> <pre> <pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> </pre> <pre> <pre< td=""><td>American plum; blackhaw; gray eastern redcedar; fragrant sumac dogwood namnyberry; Washington hawthorn buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry</td><td>American plum; blackhaw; gray eastern redcedar; hannyberry; washington hawthorn buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; haldcypress; common hackberry; pin oak buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; hannyberry</td></pre<></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>	American plum; blackhaw; gray eastern redcedar; fragrant sumac dogwood namnyberry; Washington hawthorn buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; nannyberry	American plum; blackhaw; gray eastern redcedar; hannyberry; washington hawthorn buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; haldcypress; common hackberry; pin oak buttonbush possumhaw eastern arborvitae; eastern redcedar; hannyberry